

The Parable of the Talents

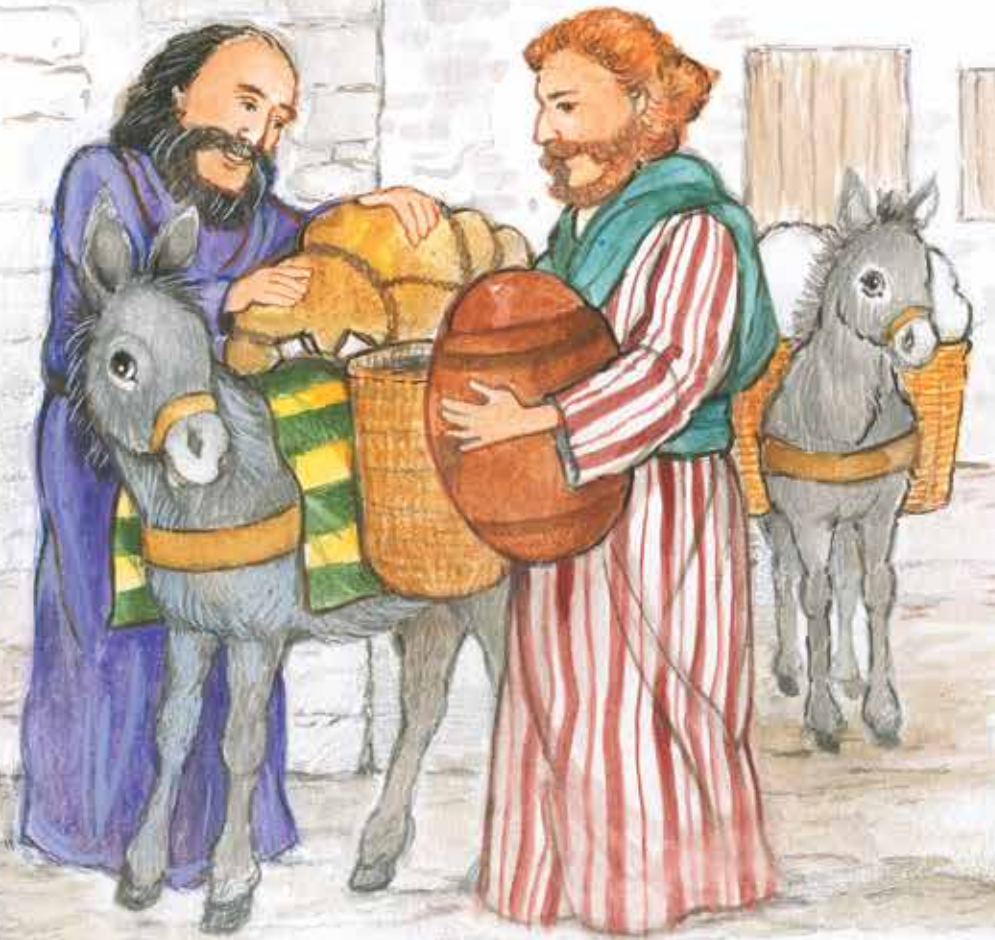
**Matthew 25:14–30
for children**



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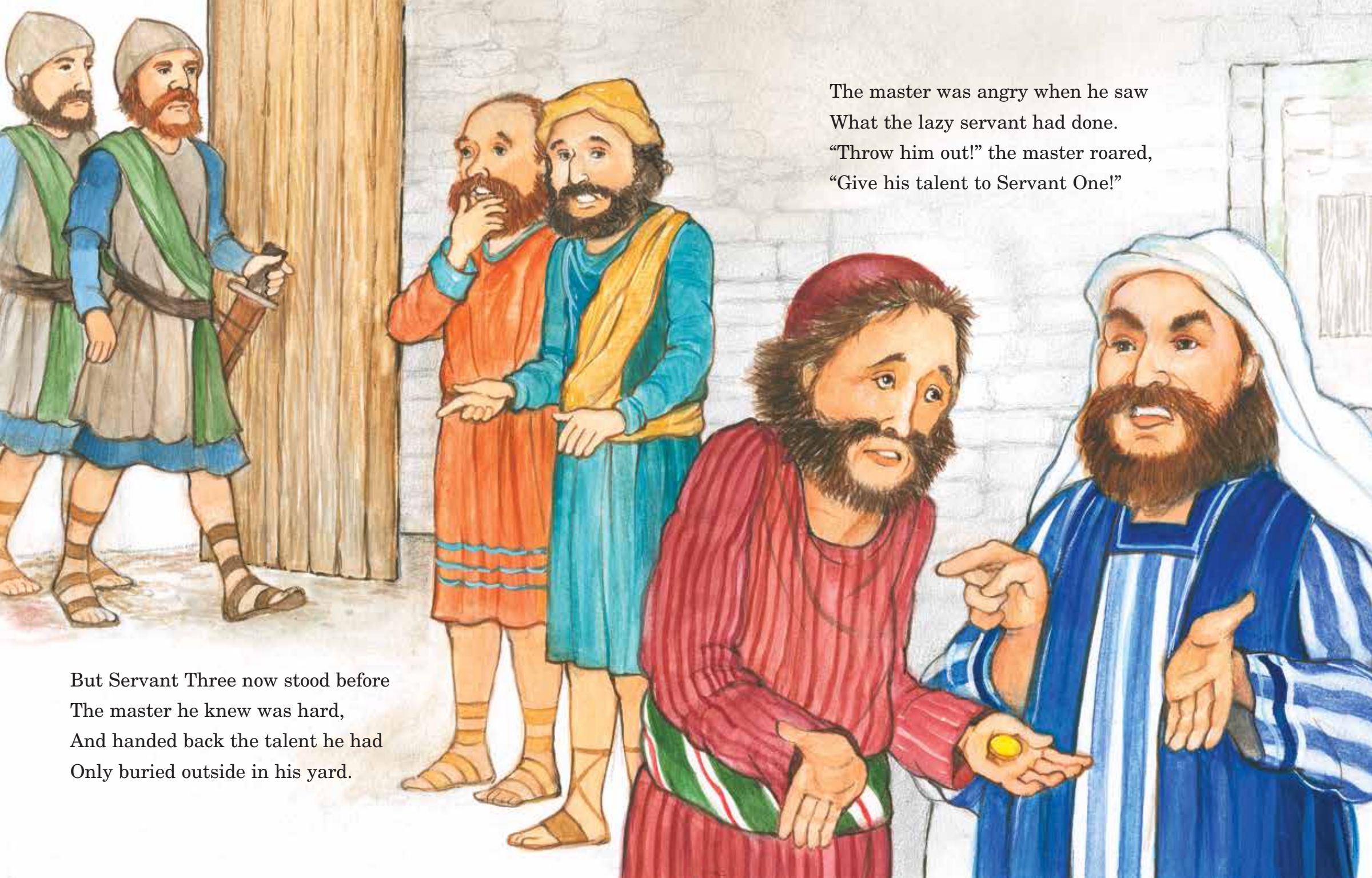
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With wealth and property.
So he gave this order to his men:
“Take care of my talents for me.”



The master divided his talents among
Three servants he'd asked to see,
And gave each one a portion of wealth
According to ability.

The first servant called was given five,
The second was given just two,
One for the third. Then their master declared,
“These eight talents I entrust to you.”



The master was angry when he saw
What the lazy servant had done.
“Throw him out!” the master roared,
“Give his talent to Servant One!”

But Servant Three now stood before
The master he knew was hard,
And handed back the talent he had
Only buried outside in his yard.